



# 2013 Leonard C. Burch Celebration of Life Art and Literacy Contest

Dear students,

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe would like to invite you to participate in the Leonard C. Burch Celebration of Life Art and Literacy Contest.

Leonard C. Burch was the chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council for more than 32 years. Under his leadership, the Southern Ute Tribe became a major economic force in La Plata County and in Indian Country.

The Southern Ute Tribal Council passed a resolution in 1996 to declare Dec. 10 of every year Leonard C. Burch Day. This year, we will honor Leonard C. Burch and his life by holding the second annual Art and Literacy Contest. The contest is open to Ignacio School District K-12 students, Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students, and all enrolled tribal member students K-12 outside of the Ignacio School District.

For this year's contest, we have some BIG changes. First, the theme of the contest this year is the Animas-La Plata Project. Also this year, the contest will begin on Dec. 3, 2013, and end on March 3, 2014, giving you four months to complete your work. Finally, we have some really great prizes to give away to the WINNERS!

The office of the tribal chairman would like to encourage you to enter the contest to honor a chairman that has led his "Ute people into the future." We have enclosed a flyer with the criteria for specific age groups. An informational packet will be mailed out on Dec. 6. The flyer and all packet information will be on the Southern Ute tribal website and The Southern Ute Drum website.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 970-563-0118.

Sincerely,

Trennie R. Collins

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Open to all students in the Ignacio School District, Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy – both Upper and Lower Elementary – and Southern Ute tribal students not within Ignacio School District or the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy.

All entries must pertain to the Animas-La Plata Project.

The start date for the contest is Dec. 3, 2013, and the deadline will be March 3, 2014. The winners will be announced March 12, 2014. Prizes will be awarded in all grade categories. Students outside the Ignacio School District should submit their essays and artwork to Trennie Collins, The Southern Ute Drum, P.O. Box 737 #96, Ignacio, CO 81137 or fax to 970-563-0391. For more information, call Trennie Collins at 970-563-0118 or email [tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov).

K-3 Grade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Art Contest</li><li>• All forms of display art accepted. Paintings and drawings must be 11"x14".</li></ul>
4-5 Grade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Poetry or Art Contest</li><li>• All forms of display art accepted. Paintings and drawings must be 11"x14".</li></ul>
6-8 Grade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Essay or Poetry Contest</li><li>• Essay must have a minimum of 500 words, up to 750 words.</li></ul>
9-12 Grade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Essay or Art Contest</li><li>• Essay must have a minimum of 750 words, up to 1,000 words.</li><li>• All forms of display art accepted. Paintings and drawings must be 11"x14".</li></ul>

# Leonard C. Burch Essay Resource List

**Animas La Plata Project:** Mr. Burch was very instrumental in the Animas La-Plata Water Project:

<http://www.usbr.gov/uc/progact/animas/index/html>

History of ALP website: <http://www.usbr.gov/uc/progact/animas/background/html>

Colorado Ute Settlement Act Amendments of 2000

<http://www.usbr.gov/us/progact/animas/pdfs/chronolgy/pdf>

Chorology of Events Animas La Plata Project

<http://www.usbr.gov/uc/progact/animas/pdfs/chronology.pdf>

Colorado Ute Indian Water Rights Settlement Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-585)

[http://www.usbr.gov/uc/progact/animas/pdfs/pl\\_100585/pdf](http://www.usbr.gov/uc/progact/animas/pdfs/pl_100585/pdf)

Colorado Ute Settlement Act Amendments of 2000 (Public Law 106-554)

[http://www.usbr.gov/uc/progact/animas/pdfs/pl\\_106554.pdf](http://www.usbr.gov/uc/progact/animas/pdfs/pl_106554.pdf)

Congressional committee meeting

[http://commdocs.house.gov/committees/resources/hii50754.000/hii50754\\_0.htm](http://commdocs.house.gov/committees/resources/hii50754.000/hii50754_0.htm)

- City of Durango
- La Plata Water Conservancy District

Want to go above and beyond??

The TIS Department has 2 boxes full of AWESOME info regarding the ALP Project. In order to see what's available; you must make an appointment with Andrea Taylor, TIS Director, at (970) 563-4702.